GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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REPATRIATION OF HIJACKERS
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the U.S.A. has conveyed to India its willingness to exert pressure on Pakistan to Repatriate hijackers of IC-814 plane from there; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a) & (b) India and the United States have agreed to work jointly to ensure that the perpetrators of the hijacking of IC-814 are brought to justice, as part of their co-operation to combat international terrorism. This was announced at the end of the meeting between the two sides on January 18-19, 2000 in London for the ongoing dialogue on security, non-proliferation, disarmament and related issues. It was reiterated during the first meeting of the Indo-US Joint Working Group on Counter-terrorism on February 7-8, 2000 in Washington D.C.